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#### The Crime's Origins

The explosion that shook the finan-

highest, spread the doctrines that when there is discontent it is the govbayonets to oppress the masses.

Newspapers preach that the law its restraints.

The Bolshevist-minded, including both parlor and non-parlor varieties, insidiously inculcate the idea that the majority has no right to govern and excuse the minorities which have set out to rule by vio-

nothing undone to arouse ignorant resignation. passion and to stimulate suspicion, of the fitness of things. A function-

what is likely generally to happen if of human beasts.

Let those who have indirectly contributed to the doing of this dread- he could have hung on. ful deed think of the thirty innocent nate murder was implanted in abnormal minds by the sinister ac-

couragement of the greatest of ing on their propaganda.

public opinion to whip with its whips a burden on the state. those with whom the crime more

On the steps of the Sub-Treasury, stands the untouched statue of one for all Americans to do some Washington, its gaze still serene and thinking. its hand still lifted as if to command peace. Surely here is an omen deemed a miracle.

No Time for Silence thereby paving the way for him has become plain. retary Baker himself gave the or- mainly because it sensed so accu- and in this mood took pen in hand. ders. Of this, however, not a rately the development of demoshadow of proof has been forthcom- cratic liberty. ing. It is possible Secretary Baker The first Federation had proved a It shows, too, an amazing perspecis taking upon his shoulders blame rope of sand. The victory won at tive and generosity for such a comwhich belongs elsewhere. If such is Yorktown was in peril. As John bat. Mr. Carter does not waste time the case, in justice to himself, as Fiske says, it was the critical period with Mrs. Gerould's plaintive de- To the Editor of The Tribune. well as in justice to the army as a of American history. Little sound fense of creeds and corsets as the

known who is responsible. states that in 1919 Secretary Baker ment. sanctioned the setting up of a soviet The founders had a vision much just why the up-coming boys and government by convicts in the mili- broader than their political environ- girls are as they are. tary prison at Leavenworth. Such ment. They saw security and power details of this report as are avail- only in a transformation of the alli- frankness" is their essential differ-

New York Tribune astonishing testimony, the military "hurled," it is said, pans of potatoes at Colonel Rice, commandant of the cause of the soviet.

Captain J. D. Miley, assistant to full growth. executive of the barracks, is quoted rather hard to explain what it was, the unity, solidarity and democracy at one time—the power that was of the United States of 1920 could given to them. They practically did kardly have been even dimly as they pleased. They pretty nearly imagined by Federalists like Washdid run the jail."

cial district yesterday did not come has been tried in a number of penal paid to a political document now Candidates for office, even for the success. But it is a far cry from modern in its purport and in its aplimited self-government to govern- plicability to the life of to-day. ment by a soviet.

It is earnestly hoped that Secreernment's fault, and that a corrupt tary Baker will not keep silent unconspiracy exists to gain control of der the alleged disclosures made by the Department of Justice agent and thereby repeat any error of judgment he has made in the Bergdoll has become the shelter of injustice case. The public is entitled to know and that it is time to smash through the facts touching the public's business.

#### Deschanel's Resignation

President Deschanel has resigned office because of disability. He has tion, declares. become physically incapacitated and has the grace to recognize the fact. Under the French constitution there is no Vice-President. Nor is there Political organizations and their any provision, apparently, for the New Jersey, is striking and unspokesmen steadily distil the poison filling of a vacancy in the Presiden- answered, save as Mr. Hugo implies Mr. Samuel Compers, President Ameriof the so-called class war; leave tial office except after a death or a

But the French have a keen sense ing head of the state is needed. The What has happened is a natural main burden of directing the counconsequence. It is a warning of try's policies falls on the President of the Council of Ministers, M. Millerand. But there are many imthere is an abandonment of civiliza- portant administrative functions pertion and a return to savagery. A formed by the President, and state mirror is held before the public business has been held up to a highly which reflects the malignant features | embarrassing degree by Deschanel's illness. So the President of France, more mindful of his country than of his pride, elects to retire, although

Opinion in the two chambers has passers-by who were suddenly over- doubtless influenced him to offer his ties in this state and that the safety was wrong cannot justify the wrong of tinue to conceal her cars. whelmed by death. If the remnants resignation—the tactful and patriotic thing to do. He did not comof conscience are with them one cannot envy their sleep last night. A against him. France has, theresmall number, perhaps, were in the fore, solved her problem of Presi- with constructive suggestions, and plot, but the thought of indiscrimi- dential incapacity. She can now choose a head of the state who can the people whom he serves. do his proper work.

Our Constitution provides for the succession of the Vice-President in We have had enough playing with case of the inability of a President. fire-more than enough of public en- But we have failed to make this pro- as follo vision executable. There is no spe cific delegation of power to anybody crimes. Not much difficulty in suppressing direct actionists will be ex- ists. The omission in the Constituperienced when those who must be tion is perhaps natural, since a aware of the inevitable effects of President is supposed to be willing patronizing anarchism cease carry- to recognize his own inability when present and he sees he can't discharge his duties. Yet it is well to It is to be taken for granted that make definite arrangements to carry nothing will be left undone to un- out the intent of any republican concover the doers of this multi-murder. stitution - an intent clearly ex-This is the function of public author- pressed in our own-that a Presiity. It is no less the function of whenever his incapacity constitutes

# The Constitution's Birthday

This is the Federal Constitution's overlooking the dreadful scene, yet 133d birthday. The time is a fit

Eulogy of this venerated document has been unmeasured in every whose message is clear—something came from a single body of men," defense of "these wild young peothat in other days would have been said Gladstone. It has been the ple" by "One of Them" in the cur-The Tribune continues to receive our present political needs. With Mrs. Katharine Fullerton Gerould letters from readers insisting that all its quality of permanence and and other solemn wiseacres wagging disagreeable sound to our ears. It the Secretary of War tell who or- in spite of the elaborate obstacles their heads hopelessly over the mandered the adjutant general to see put in the way of hasty change, it ners and morals of these young peothat draft-dodger Bergdoll was per- has been modernized by amendments | ple who fought the war, because they mitted to leave Governor's Island, whenever the need of amendment neither dressed nor danced nor at the polls. The Maine success should

whole, it would seem better to make nationalism remained in the minds only sure bulwarks of morality. and hearts of Americans in 1785 He concedes that there is much portion of the \$15,000,000 or \$30,000,000 This is important just now when and 1786. Most of the states treas- that is hectic and to be remean agent of the Department of Jus- ured their isolation and independ- died in his generation. But he detice has filed a formal report with ence and the old frontier ideals of nies that morals have essentially the Federal court at Topeka which personal irresponsibility and detach- changed for the worse; and he pre-

able recount circumstances well- ance of colonies into an integral | ence from their ancestors, he subnigh unbelievable. According to the union. Many men in the convention mits. And what else could be exheld back and demanded concessions prisoners-convicted in time of war to the idea of limited nationality. -organized a soviet with Secretary | Many of the states ratified the com-Baker's approval; made their own pact reluctantly. But history was rules and obeyed only such orders to show that what was vital in certain extent, brutalized" by the And pallid the lyrics I write, of army officers as they chose to the Constitution was its assertion of obey. "They had their prune juice nationality, and what was perishable thanks to its elders, who ran the whisky in barrels in the messroom in it was the counter decentraliza- world. Into a few years have been and in the auditorium." On Christ- tion doctrine championed by Jeffermas Eve, the report continues, the son, embodied in the Virginia and of a normal lifetime. "In our unre- The stanza above re-peruse, prisoners, deciding they were not Kentucky resolutions and pushed to generate youth we have learned the And you'll note-all observant folk getting all the food they wanted, an extreme later in Calhoun's teach-

The Constitution planted the seeds disciplinary barracks. Instead of of nationality. The Supreme Court putting down the riot in short order under Marshall's direction, watered it is charged that Colonel Rice was them. The long sectional struggle forced to give in to the rioters be- and our unconscious political and economic development brought them

The possibility of that growth ington, Franklin and Hamilton. The country will await with inter- Their Constitution is our Constituest further developments in this tion. It is little altered in text, but

#### Safety on the Highways

We think Secretary of State Hugo has yet to meet the force of the criticism directed against his office. His own personal efficiency is only a secondary matter. He may well have done everything humanly possible under the laws and within his appropriation, and yet conditions may be precisely as dangerous as Mr. Edward S. Cornell, of the National Highways Protective Associa-

The charge that only 141 licenses were revoked in this state last year, as against 2,100 in Massachusetts, 1,700 in Connecticut and 1,600 in that his prowers of revocation are limited. Here is the crux of the problem. If new laws are needed, explanation is there for this extraordinary contrast?

The problem which confronts Mr. Hugo is a gigantic one, involving the licensing of nearly half a million drivers. It may well be that his issue. If larger appropriations are needed they will be granted. The policy of more efficient control.

Let Mr. Hugo answer his critics he will go far to meet the attitude of

onows.		
1816	6,327	10
1863	49,212	V
1881	107,095	
1909	208,215	Ś

Population has increased tenfold; of Federal officeholding more than one hundredfold. Those with a taste for mathematics can figure of tax consumers.

An administration that came to power pledged to end Republican extravagance and to restore good old Democratic economy has done well in avoiding a keeping of its word. "Deserving Democrats," as Mr. To the Editor of The Tribune. Bryan lovingly called them, have appeared in undiminished array.

# "These Wild Young People"

To all those gloomy elders who see the younger generation through blue land. "The greatest work that ever spectacles we commend the candid chart of American progress. Its rent Atlantic. The author, Mr. John placently sure that the election will spirit is unimpaired. Even the form F. Carter jr., went forth frem Yale in which it was cast has stood the into the war like nearly everybody tests of experience and suffices for else of his age. He came out to find talked nor acted as had their parents to escape. The writers of some of The Constitution has served its in their youth. Young Mr. Carter these letters seem to imply that Sec- purpose and won the world's acclaim was at once amused and wrathful,

The result is refreshingly enthusiastic for all its fatalistic wisdom. sents a persuasive explanation of

Their "devastating and brutal

pected from a generation that saw what it saw and did what it did in the war? Mr. Carter thinks his generation "disillusionized and, to a Though a poet untalented I cataclysm in which it found itself, I am going (rash fellow!) to try crowded the experiences and ideas (If you doubt I am lacking in skill, practicality and the cynicism that are safe only in unregenerate old The needless profusion of "to's".) age." No wonder there is a "hectic quality" in these youngsters!

But these same "immodest, unchivalrous ne'er-do-wells" that the critics complain of are working-girls as well as boys. They seem as keenly interested in political and social as saying of the prisoners: "It was was there from the beginning. Yet problems as were their fathers and mothers at a corresponding age. And this frankness with which they face life—is it really a bad thing? Mr. Carter contends that on the whole it is an excellence.

We hope we do not give the impression that Mr. Carter is a fresh case. That Secretary Baker au- immensely altered in its accordance young man who priggishly disap- is warmly and loudly applauded in one must further take into account thorized an experiment in self- with changes in the American tem- proves everything that has gone Utah, and Senator Harding's speeches, the fact that these regrettable excesses tent seems clear. This, however, the supreme tribute which can be of humor for that, and he sees the approval. Ninety per cent of the au- in the battle area and were inspired by faults of his own generation quite dience at a political meeting is in accord a hostile feeling on the part of certain with the speaker; and the man who groups of Jews toward the Polish army, institutions; sometimes with marked old in years, but still completely as well as its virtues. Even "the procrastinations of modesty and the work hard to have them, gets the Big visualize the state of mind of a soldier elaborate rigmarole of chivalry" Hand. may return some day in so far as they are vital. And his generation conditions under which "these wild young people" embarked upon life and a realization that neither in our youth were things as pious and pure as some of us pretend, nor are they t now as awful as Mrs. Gerould shudderingly portrays.

# Calvin Coolidge Says

(His telegram to Samuel Gompers at the time of the police strike

City, N. Y. Replying to your telegram, I have al-

let Mr. Hugo say so. If not, what ready refused to remove the Folice Commissioner of Boston. I did not staff is inadequate to handle prop- alway been questioned, never granted, Not even "The Liberty Bell," "Manhaterly this vast labor. But we are is now prohibited. The suggestion of tan Beach" and "The Directorate" had confident the people of New York President Wilson to Washington does the zip of those two. are in no mood for slighting this not apply to Boston. There the police have remained on duty. Here the pofeeling is widespread that the motor terized as a crime against civilization. Card as many garments as possible. But record and more tends to separate record as many garments as possible. But record as many garments as possible. But record as many garments as possible. But record as many garments as possible. problem has got beyond the authori- Your assertion that the Commissioner the truly modest girl, we hope, will conof life and limb all over the state de- leaving the city unguarded. That furmands a fresh start and a vigorous nished the opportunity, the criminal element furnished the action. There is no right to strike against the public safety by anybody, anywhere, any time. You ask that the public safety again be placed in the hands of these same a Gilded Cage." Its motif was superb and its moral fine. But we are not so ready as F. P. A. to yield to it the palm of superiority. We have always held "A Bird in a Gilded Cage" inferior in some respects to "The Fatal Wedding." narticularly in policemen while they continue in dis-to "The Fatal Wedding," narticularly in obedience to the laws of Massachusetts Economy

Comparison of the Police Department. Nineteen second stanza of "The number of Federal employees"

The number of Federal employees of the Police Department. Nineteen second stanza of "The Fatal Wedding."

We quote it in an effort to establish our of more gage principal past due, or not stanza of mo at the various years named has been Others having abandoned their duty, contention: their places have, under the law, been "I must protest," the woman cried, declared vacant on the opinion of the "The Attorney General. I can suggest no authority outside the courts to take sist in taking a broad view of every support you in every legal action and sound policy. I am equally determined to defend the sovereignty of Massachusetts and to maintain the authority and delphia Ledger.

That was a grand lyric; if not the best of all time, at least the best of the nineties. Jay E. House in The Philasetts and to maintain the authority and out at what date the last taxpayer jurisdiction over her public officers will be absorbed into the company where it has been placed by the constitution and law of her people. CALVIN COOLIDGE. Governor of Massachusetts.

## Onward!

Sir: The splendid victory that the American people rolled up in Maine on Monday last merely shows that the Republican party (which now more truly than ever before represents the Marching down the aisle together American people) must go forward with | While the organ pealed an air, Telling tales of fond affection, Presidential election in November shall Just another fatal weddir be the greatest victory in its history. take care of itself.

of representative government that the In 1915 Mr. Graves was ranked in the the six men who had help word "democracy" has come to have a fifth ten. But the artist, Mr. Will Grefe, to pass the million mark. must be cleansed of all taint of the heeled slippers. Wilson autocracy, and this can be done only by a most thorough drubbing fearlessly and with greater zeal for a Republican victory for every vacant office. That is the only way the country can be entirely rid of Wilsonism. F. E. ROGERS.

New York, Sept. 15, 1920.

# Going Strong

Sir: I would suggest, in order to re-

lieve the spasm of The World, that s or whatever the diabolical sum is that the nasty Republican party has-should be devoted to keeping Cox and Franklin Roosevelt on the stump, the ex-

It seems a shame to waste good money swallow? when the other fellow will do the work. Encourage him. He is going strong. New York, Sept. 15, 1920. R. H. H.

# The Conning Tower

CONCERNING A MAIDEN A poem to Sue to indite.

will-

Need I say, as is frequently done, That her eyes are Like Stars-need I tell

sun? On the curve of her mouth need I dwell?

EDAR.

Governor Cox's appeal for the league echoes your thoughts, even if you didn't and war knows no mercy. Then, if we

is certain to make some "terrible he was a doer, not a talker. Actually, he his deadly enemy, then we shall undermistakes." But he asks a little was one of the most adroit talkers that stand the psychological motives for such understanding by his elders of the ever knew how to get his phrases into excesses. the headlines. Neither candidate thus Polish people were never hostilely infar has pulled a good phrase.

> Our Own Travelogues: Chicago By careful planning, I managed to walk or under railroad tracks. Every time I Europe bloodily persecuted the Jews stepped from the street on to the sidewalk I and banished them from their terrimarveled that the A. A. U. championship high hurdles should ever go to one not bern

in Boston)

Samuel Gompers, President American Federation of Labor, New York

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It will be the twenty-eighth anniverappoint him. He can assume no position which the courts would uphold except what the people have by the au- play in 1893, mear the Government thority of their law vested in him. He Building at the World's Fair in Chicago. speaks only with their voice. The right But how it used to play "The Washingof the police of Boston to affiliate has ton Post" and "The High School Cadets"!

According to Mme. Marguerite, a delelicemen's union left their duty, an ac- gate to the dressmakers' convention in

We concede the sublimity and the

voice so meek and mild The bridegroom is my hust And this our little child." husband, sir,

further action. I wish to join and as- "What proof have you?" the passacher "My infant," she replied.

That was a grand lyric; if

as the best lyric of the nineties. A state in the Union and I believe I sen Nexo, has a fascinating fairy tale period that sang "After the Ball," "My know the American people very well atmosphere about it. Ditte suggests closures, and in cases where the loans Mother Was a Lady," "Just Tell Them indeed—their thoughts, their ideals nothing so much as one of Hans Chris- were paid off much the larger part That You Saw Mc," "Only Me," "Cast and their follies. If this is true, then tian Andersen's little match girls, and of the payments would not seek a re-Aside," "If You Should See Your Sister," "She Was Happy Till She Met You," American writer, if I can write suffi- find that the jacket refers to "the even in the new construction income and hundreds like them, was so opulent ciently well to have obtained a place stern realism" of the novel. All of us tax exempt form. The effect would be that a ranking committee would have in my country's output of literature. | are a little apt to feel that anything depressing on all real estate values to sing the noble chorus of "The Katal Wedding," these are the words:

While the wedding bells were ringing.
While the Bride and groom were there, Vowing never more to part;

Just another broken heart. Nobody writing fiction knows more The country is tired of Democratic Graves, whose "The Menton Marvel"

has the heroine playing a match in high-

has joined the Metropolitan staff. Molla record, I fancy. stimulate us all to work honestly and Bjursted, Grand Central station, Mc-Laughlin, and Brooks -in one story.

> one whom he knew would be a sympa- will appear in the spring. thetic listener .- From "Port Allington Stories," by R. E. Vernede. And whom probably was.

but Mr. Burleson's o. f. service is swift in the minds of the public with their enough. Yesterday we saw two letters authors. postmarked the day after their receipt.

T. and H. L. Mencken keep referring formance, is entitled to speak more way. We have no taste or skill for the next night, removing her to an The anti-Drys are looking for an em- precisely tantamount to your having as realists, there is often the sense once drawn blood. They caught Mr. penses to be paid by the wicked Repubblematic bird. The engle, of course, is published me in a list of those not enthat the chief interest lies not in the Rat the next night and had no further

Or the hootch owl?

# Poland and the Jew

Pogrom Charges Denied and Basis for Better Relations Sug- To the Editor of The Tribune. gested

To the Editor of The Tribune.

American public does not possess a cor- people. rect understanding of Polish-Jewish reconsideration the following facts:

That her hair's like the gold of the given in dispatches, has been grossly vistic "ideals." It is a fact that during Need I say, to be brief, that the girl States Senate, stated that the total action embitter the Polish population? for no league at all. But, happily, the Is a beauty sans blemish or taint? number of victims throughout the Imagine what Americans would say and Wilson league with or without reserva A-to coin an expression—a pearl? whole area of Poland and for the whole do, if, attacked by Japan, they would tions, or no league at all, is not the No, I needn't. The reason: she ain't. duration of excesses was "about" 280! suddenly discover that some compatriots only alternative; for a safer and sures No, I needn't. The reason: she ain't, duration of excesses was "about" 280! An enormous différence, is it not?

#### Excesses in Battle Area

government of prisoners to some ex- perament and viewpoint. That is before. He has too much of a sense in Utah, will be received with noisy have taken place, with few exceptions. whose feelings are brutalized by horrors of war and enraged because his fellow-The popular notion of T. R. is that citizens of Jewish faith sympathize with

> clined toward the Jews, of which the best proof is the fact that Poland for centuries was a haven for persecuted Jews. While the nations of western b-day twelve blocks without passing over Europe bloodily persecuted the Jews arveled that the A. A. U. championship tories, while Protestant Germany, inspired by Luther's propaganda, who de- dress you. Those who are deceived by the league emerged. One does not need The librarian at the Public Library, when clared that they were "children of prejudice and a complete ignorance of to explain why France, Italy and Japan The librarian at the Public Library, when I asked where I could find the esteemed, not say revered. Christian Science Monitor of March 13, told me, "You can't find it nowhere. After tree weeks, den we trow it out, see?" However, It was a branch library ish exiles and bestowed internal autonwhich had Mrs. Parker's Life of Carleton omy and privileges upon them—and up knows the history, the literature, the ethnological readjustment, though im to the present time the annals of Polish manner of thought and action of the history do not resort anti-Semitic ex-

#### Causes of Hostility

The friendly relations, however, began to assume a form of acute hostility due to the improper attitude of the Jews toward the Polish nation-and to that end many factors have contributed:

1. The overwhelming majority of the to trade. The latter, in the last few years and especially during the war, assumed a form of profiteering and unpardonable speculation. Thus it is not to be wondered at that the Polish people began to feel hostilely inclined towards the Jews.

2. Thanks to the Jewish nationalistic prerogatives which, as a matter of course, would create a nation within a nation, and their unwarranted demands for the equalization of "jargon"

| not only in school but in government Sir: The widespread news of the so- offices as well, would surely not be tolcalled "pogroms" in Poland, regularly erated in the United States. This sep- tend that these are direct questions promulgated in the American press, con- arative aim can by no means create a clusively point to the fact that the friendly feeling toward the Jewish further claim that one of these alter

3. Certain groups of Jews not only lations. Before judging this question show a lack of cooperation in the Polish offered. They insist that the impartially it is essential to take into struggle for independence that should league is effectually functioning, and be expected from them as a citizen's glow in the fact that it has been ac First of all, one must emphasize the duty, but, to the contrary, acting hos- cepted by all the nations, except fact that the number of victims, as tilely toward Poland, promote Bolshe- Russia, Mexico and our late enemies. exaggerated. For instance, according to the last Bolshevist invasion of Poland some versions the number of victims in Jewish Communists formed volunteer campaign is the Wilson league with or one town aggregated 14,000, whereas detachments to fight against the Polish without reservations or no league at all former Ambassador Morgenthau, a Jew, army, which bled in the struggle for its Assuredly, if the issue were thus joined in his report presented to the United country's independence. Would not such there would be but few persons voting were acting against their fatherland's league may yet be devised. And Senator sacred cause.

4. All this world-wide, anti-Polish, groundless agitation by Jewish nationalist circles and their unintelligent fol- the time of construction may justify, lowers, particularly in this country, will not serve toward the betterment of mutual relations.

Finally, to corroborate the above statements these facts should be known: The government of "imperialistic" and "anti-Semitic" Poland has assigned as its representative to England and and some experience, will aid in effec Germany two Jews-Professor Simon tual accomplishment of our noble pur Ashkenazi and Dr. Diamond, respectively. Professor Dr. Samuel Taubeles, a noted rabbi of Poland, in his proclamation to his co-believers in the plebiscite Italy and Japan, it is not convincing to area of Teschen, declared as follows:

#### Advice of a Rabbi

therefore I feel it to be my duty as a reluctantly accepted the basic princip faithful Jew and sincere Pole to ad- of the Fourteen Points out of which Poles, and bases his statement on this But the original conception of a world and wellbeing of Poland lies the happy future of three-quarters of all the Jews of central Europe. Almost all of you inherited the Polish language. Remove all that is German from your syna- and effect permanent peace. gogues and religious meeting places, and let warm Polish accents be heard from your pulpits, strengthening your faith and inclining you to live in harmony with the noble Polish nation, with whose destiny Providence has joined our own. May Jewish religion and knowledge flourish on this cherished soil, as in past

If the Jews desire a true relationship with Poland let them have a feeling of comradeship toward the country that, at the time of their distress, hospitably offered them an asylum, and let them discontinue their groundless and mutu ally harmful anti-Polish propaganda.

T. F. HOINKO-SIEDLECKI. New York, Sept. 15, 1920.

## Books Heywood Broun

sider the claim on these facts: Get- particular clientele."

"I have traveled extensively in the There is no such thing, we contend, United States; I have been in every Ditte: Girl Alive, by Martin Ander-

about lawn tennis than Mr. Louis upward climb to its present circulation, other the pinch of cold never goes is much easier to consider that last and Mr. Lommer, of The Post, was kind deep We think that the author does question in its aspect of exemption The country is tired of Democratic Graves, whose the Metropolitan, enough to tell me that I was one of shiver order than in its aspect of exemption of the Metropolitan, enough to tell me that I was one of shiver order.

> ford stories have been written, and al- the wind for the shorn heroine. most 100 of them have reached their Perhaps the old Bookman proofroom turn of publication, which is quite a

clent return in sales to warrant the Mr. Webstone broached the subject to publication of others. One of them "I do not believe that there is any

to the English speaking public than J. Rufus Wallingford, nor that there Delivery by air mail may be rapid, are any who are more closely identified "I would not present the matter to

Why do such careful writers as B. L. you are one who, through past permean by realism and romanticism any-trap in her regular bed (on the pillow)

F. P. A. the result of judicial determination to God.

of being placed in your list of 'Amer- me tion of George Randolph Chester, about to become past due, which have gan writers who derive from their then I must submit; for, after all. you been and will be permitted to stand own soil'; but I only ask you to con- are the arbitrary judge for your own either in the form of open mortgages or

Rich-Quick Wallingford has been called We can only say in extenuation of ual reduction of the principal, and distinctively American character, and our oversight that when we omitted which, under such a limited exemp-"My infant," she replied.

She raised her head, then knelt to pray, stories were distinctively American, from our list of distinguished native tably called in. Many of these mortanger from our list of distinguished native tably called in. Many of these mortanger have been nurmitted to stand at and all the locales and all the stories authors we did not know that he had gages have been permitted to stand at were distinctively and representatively written 104 Get-Rich-Quick Walling- a real inconvenience to the mortgages, who would be glad of his money but is

> I am qualified to be a representative yet it is not altogether surprising to investment in the mortgage field, not "I think I have secured this place, which happens on an open road in It would come at a time when the The character of Get-Rich-Quick Wal- May or June is romantic, but that as tax office is endeavoring to make lingford was widely known, even before Mr. Cohan's play helped to make whistles we have realism. There is at a time when, notwithstanding such him still further acquainted. Eight- plenty of biting weather in this new increase, a largely increased tax rate een short Wallingford stories and one novel from the Danish, and people go must be expected to provide for the Wallingford book had been published hungry and are beaten, but none of it city's necessary expenses. before the Wallingford play appeared, ever seems to us to have the photo-"The first Wallingford stories were graphic nature of realism. The wicked pile the aggregate of many millions of published in The Saturday Evening stepmother is not so much a woman taxes which normally would be se-Post. I was with that periodical in its to us as a bad fairy. Somehow or sessed against new construction. It the six men who had helped The Post shivers only as Cinderella might have burden. shivered. There is no poignant sufferpass the million mark.
> "In all, 104 Get-Rich-Quick Walling- irg. God and the author have tempered holdings, the question soon will be

> We remember that not so long ago we city is likely to find itself with a much it.sisted on referring to Sherwood An- diminished tax base. "Four successive Wallingford books derson as a realist after we had read have been published and have had suffi- Winesburg: Ohio. The mare fact that there was irony in it, and bite, and that men and women suffered for their passions blinded us to what we saw more clearly in a second reading. To the Editor of The Tribune. character of fiction more widely known Realism is nothing more than a jump- Sir: Your issue of Saturday, Septeming-off place for Anderson. There is ber 11, tells of the death of a baby a mystical quality in him and a fan- from rat bite and states that the child's tastic one. His Ohio folk are no more father was unable to capture and kill than sketches, thin paper dolls which the rat. A similar incident happened dance to the tune of a mighty wind in the home of a friend of mine a few which he pipes up for them.

> or less authoritatively, and your omission of my name from your list is Russians, whom we all accept so glibly variably return again where he had poor peasants, but in the soul of man. | trouble. ican writer who derives from his own Our Russian friends do not seek the cellars so much to get closer to man-"If the omission is deliberate and kind as to some nearer in the depths

The Harding League

An American Alternative to the Wilson League

Sir: Distinguished league advocate are inquiring whether Senator Harding believes in the Wilson league with o without reservations, and if with reser vations, what reservations. They con. which admit of direct answers. They natives affords the only practical method of securing and maintaining peace yet

The fatal defect of this position the implication that the issue of the Harding commits himself to the negotiation of such a covenant, league or voluntary association as the situation at It is the apparent impotency of the league, in spite of its numerous signa

fies further constructive effort to eliminate those provisions by which so many thoughtful and patriotic people have been stirred, and yet embrace such proposals as, proved by sound judgment sailles and the secret covenants with argue that we should approve the Wilson league simply because many European nations have accepted it. The "I know you, my dear brothers, and truth of the situation is that Europe covenant based upon such just restoration and participation as to remove the outstanding ground of grievance would inspire confidence, promote spontaneits

> In the present state of Old World to be expected. But those who feel that the instrument now in operation fai to embrace such ideals as are a tainable are determined that no single individual and no selfish group shall first decide what is best for themselves and afterward force their unjust ambitions upon the rest of the world. This is the aim of America as Senator Harding and millions of patriotic and liberty. loving people conceive it.

LUCIUS SUMNER HICKS. Boston, Mass., Sept. 15, 1920.

Getting New Houses

To the Editor of The Tribune. Sir: Will you allow me to express a dissent respecting your editorial on "Getting New Houses," and in which your argument is that the proposed income tax exemption should apply with extensions providing for a grad-

unwilling to contribute to the further unsettlement of the market.

as to when the camel's back will be broken. Unless judgment is used the

CHARLES E. MANIERRE New York, Sept. 15, 1920.

## Rat Lore

years ago, except that the bite was not you if you were a minor critic, but shame by asking just what it is we child told her parents to put the rate It might happen to help some one if

your paper would print this informs M. N. MUTLE Pine Bluff, N. C., Sept. 12, 1920.